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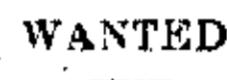
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By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1888. 713



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Hongkong, May 2, 1888. 712

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Hongkong, May 1, 1888. 705

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in great variety.

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DIAMOND JEWELLERY.

A Splendid Collection of the Latest London
PARADES, at very moderate prices. 742

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NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

A First INTERIM BONUS of TWENTY
PER CENT, upon Contributions for the year 1887 has this Day been declared.

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JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

Hongkong, April 19, 1888. 640

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COM- PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that all VESSELS
DISCHARGING BOMBAY- COTTON- AND COTTON- YARN AT THE KOW-
LOON WHARFES will have FREE STORAGE
for 14 days from arrival, after which a Rent of 3 CENTS per bale per month will be charged.

ISAAC HUGHES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 7, 1887. 2148

A RAMBLE THROUGH SOUTHERN FORMOSA.—By Mr. G. TAYLOR.

This Article, which has been reprinted from the China Review, contains one of the best Sketches of Formosa Life yet written.

A few roughly-executed Woodcuts are included in the pamphlet.

May be had—Price, \$1—at Messrs. LANE,
CRAWFORD & Co.'s, and Messrs. KELLY &
WILSH, LIMITED, Hongkong; also, Mr. N.
MOALLE, AHUOY.

Hongkong, March 3, 1888. 363

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPoa DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS and ENGINEERS are

respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Under-signed is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, August 25, 1888. 1458

NOTICE.

THE WONG-NYEY-CHONG DAIRY

FARM having Received by the Steamer Changsha, a supply of MILK Cows from Newcastle, Australia, is now prepared to supply the General Public with PURE COW'S MILK (guaranteed), at 9 CENTS per Ordinary Pint, (reputed), deliverable to order, ANYWHERE within the Colony, between 6 A.M. and 10 P.M.

Orders sent direct to WONG-NYEY-CHONG DAIRY FARM, or to the care of Mr. V. DABENBERG, at H. M. Naval Yard, will be promptly attended to.

Hongkong, April 28, 1888. 688

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ANY Cast of CLOTHING, Books, or

PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 25, 1888. 2

TO LET.

Common Commodities SUITE OF OFFICES in
the ICE HOUSE BUILDINGS.

Apply to

G. C. ANDERSON,
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Hongkong, March 22, 1888. 489

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(In English and Chinese.)

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CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Hongkong, March 22, 1888. 489

Business Notices.



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GIN.—SWAIN BIRD'S OLD TON and VAN HOOGEN'S GENEVA.

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BUTTER'S DRAGHT ALE and WHITBREAD'S DRAGHT STOUT.

Hongkong, April 11, 1888. 589

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Auctions.

SATURDAY,

the 5th day of May, 1888, at Noon, at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

(For account of the Concerned.)

THE AMERICAN STEAMER

SAN PIBLO,

as she lies wrecked near Turnabout Island.

Also,

Whatever CARGO there may be on Board the Vessel.

The Vessel and Cargo will be sold separately.

TERMS.—Cash on the fall of the hammer. The Vessel and Cargo to be at the risk of the Purchaser on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 30, 1888. 698

PUBLIC AUCTION.

UNDER instructions received from the MONARCHS, Mr. H. N. MODY, will Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 17th day of May, 1888, at 4 o'clock p.m., at the Premises,—

ALL THAT VALUABLE PIECE OF GROUND,

Situate at BELCHER'S BAY, LAP-SAP-WAN, Hongkong, abutting on the North side thereof on Belcher Street and measuring thereon 200 feet, on the South side thereof on portion of Inland Lot No. 600 and measuring thereon 200 feet, on the East on Davies Street and measuring thereon 200 feet, and on the West on Cadogan Street and measuring thereon 200 feet, containing in the whole 40,000 square feet and registered in the Land Office as Section 4 of INLAND LOT No. 906. Together with the FORGE WORK-SHOPS and BUILDINGS thereon lately used and occupied by the HONGKONG AND MACAO GLASS MANUFACTURING COMPANY, as they now stand, which said Piece of Ground is held for the residue of a term of 999 years subject to the Annual Crown Rent of \$528.67.

The Property will be offered for Sale in One Lot.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to

WOTTON & DEACON,

Solicitors,

35, Queen's Road;

or to

H. N. MODY,

Auctioneer,

Victoria Buildings,

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Hongkong, April 24, 1888. 672

FOR SALE.

J. COOK, Proprietor.

THE HOTEL IS CENTRALLY SITUATED AND WITHIN A FEW MINUTES' WALK FROM THE PRINCIPAL LANDINGS PLACES.

GOOD ACCOMMODATION FOR VISITORS.

CHARGES MODERATE.

TIFFIN AT 1 o'clock DINNER AT 7.30.

WELL VENTILATED BILLIARD ROOM.

TIFFIN 50 CENTS. DINNER 75 CENTS.

WINES, SPIRITS AND MALT LIQUORS OF THE VERY BEST QUALITY ONLY.

Hongkong, April 1, 1887. 607

VICTORIA HOTEL,

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THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place.

Notices to Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. *Taisong*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignment of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD., at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 5th May will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, April 28, 1888.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *Peking*.

Captain G. BEUERMANN,

will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 5th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, May 3, 1888.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFO.

The Co.'s Steamship *Thales*.

Captain HUNTER, will be

despatched for the above

Ports on SUNDAY, the 6th Inst., at 9 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, May 3, 1888.

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FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Steamship *Stratford*,

C. W. PEARSON, Com'dr,

will be despatched for the above

Port on or about the 12th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, May 3, 1888.

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HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SILVER SPOON COMPETITION.

OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

A SILVER SPOON will be shot for

EVERY SATURDAY AFTERNOON,

at 4 o'clock.

No Entrance Fee.—7 shots at 200 yards

A Handicap of 3 points for 1st Spoon and

one point for every subsequent Spoon won.

A SUELTON HOOPER,

Honorary Secretary.

Hongkong, May 3, 1888.

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HONGKONG PUBLIC SCHOOL.

THE MIDSUMMER TERM will com-

mence on MONDAY, the 7th Inst., at 9 a.m.

New Pupils will be entered on SATUR-

DAY, the 6th Inst., at 10 a.m.

C. J. BATEMAN,

Head Master.

Hongkong, May 3, 1888.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the

Ordinary Yearly MEETING of the

SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will

be held at HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

MONDAY, the 14th day of May next, at

3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose

of receiving the Report of the General

Manager, together with a Statement of

Account to the 31st December, 1887.

The REGISTER of SHARES will be

CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 5th Inst.,

TUESDAY, the 14th Inst., both days

inclusive, during which period no Transfer

of Shares can be registered.

JOHN WILLMOTT,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, May 3, 1888.

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VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IMMEDIATELY.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION pursuant to the Decree of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, made in a cause TAM KWAN SHI V. YAU MI HO, No. 42 of 1878, with the Approval of the Acting Chief Justice by Mr. J. M. ARMSTRONG, the Person appointed by the said Court, upon the respective Premises on the date hereinafter mentioned viz.:—

On THURSDAY,

THE 10TH DAY OF MAY, 1888, AT 3 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON,—

In FIVE LOTS, the very Valuable Block of BUILDINGS, situate on MARINE Lot No. 44, MARINE Lot No. 125A, and Section B of MARINE Lot No. 4, and in the best and most Central Business Portion of the City, and with frontages to three important Public Streets, viz.:—Bonham Strand, Wing Lok Street and Cross Street, and Nos. 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31 and 33, Wing Lok Street, and Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, Ng Kwai Fong, also the THREE-STORIED HOUSE, No. 132, Wing Lok Street, situated on the Remaining Portion of INLAND Lot No. 384, and the THREE HOUSES, Nos. 14, 16 and 18, Possession Street, situated on INLAND Lot No. 212c, and the Remaining Portion of INLAND Lot No. 212c.

On SATURDAY,

THE 12TH DAY OF MAY, 1888, AT 3 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON,—

In ONE LOT, a piece of Vacant GROUND, Registered as INLAND Lot No. 472, and situated at Bowring between Matheson and Percival Streets, and available for the erection of Kerosene Godowns.

The Sale Plans can be seen at the Office of Messrs. WORTON & DEACON, Solicitors, and at Mr. J. M. ARMSTRONG's, the Auctioneer.

Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained on application at the Offices of Messrs. WORTON & DEACON, Solicitors, Hongkong, or Messrs. CALDWELL & WILKINSON, Solicitors, Hongkong, or Mr. EVANS, Solicitor, Hongkong, and of Mr. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 1888.

ALFRED G. WISE,
Acting Registrar of the Supreme
Court.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hwangtung Harbour:

ALLIE ROW, Hawaiian brig, Captain J. Phillips.—Wieland & Co.

CENTENNIAL, American ship, Captain I. M. Beaufort.—Russell & Co.

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Hongkong, May 3, 1888.

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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

May 3, 1888.—

HEVER, German steamer, from Whampoa Canton, British steamer, 1,116 t. Bremen, Shanghai April 29 and Swatow May 2, General JARDINE, MATTHESON & CO.

THALES, British steamer, 820 t. W. H. YOUNG, Honolulu March 21; Balast—Pusau & Co.

H. DODGE, British steamer, 1,899 t. Basin, Shanghai May 1, Mails and General P. & O. S. N. Co.

VELOCITY, British barque, 491 t. R. Martin, Honolulu April 13, Rio—Morale & Ray.

PEKING, German steamer, from Whampoa Canton, British steamer, 1,899 t. Basin, Shanghai May 1, Mails and General P. & O. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES.

May 3.—

FEIJER, for Haiphong.

AMOY, for Shanghai.

BENGEL, for Shanghai.

DORPAITE, for Port Said.

FEDELIN, for Takao.

NARSHAN, for Swatow.

KITSUMI, for Whampoa.

KUTSUNG, for Amoy and Shanghai.

CHANGSHA, for Port Darwin and Sydney.

CANTON, for Whampoa.

NAMOA, for Coast Ports.

NEW GUINEA, for Shanghai.

TAISONG, for Singapore and Calcutta.

RAMBLER, British sloop, for a cruise.

CLEARED.

Anton, for Hoibow and Pakhoi.

Gazzete, for Haiphong.

Lady Harriet, for Tokio.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

For Canton, from Shanghai, Mr Rooney, and 84 Chinese.

For THALES, from Coast Ports, 64 Chinese.

For HYALIDES, from Shanghai, Miss Rauter.

Major Churchill, and servant.

Misses H. P. Tettmar, G. S. Addis, William E. D. Hanan, Mrs. Ab Ping and Anna, Misses A. Munro, Mr. J. M. Hunter, and 6 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per FEIJER, for Haiphong, 4 Europeans, and 25 Chinese.

Per ANOY, for Shanghai, 1 European, and 40 Chinese.

Per GLENGLE, for Shanghai, 10 Europeans.

Per NAMOA, for Swatow, 50 Chinamen.

Per GLENGLE, for Yokohama, Mr. W. Long.

Per NAMOA, for Amoy, Mr. Moyazato;

for Foochow, Mr. and Mrs. Gallin, Mr. and Mrs. Tiddy.

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 1888.

HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, March 1, 1888.

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BIRTHS.

At Shanghai, on 20th April, the Wife of Wm. Hayman, of a Daughter.

At Fair Lawn, Reading, on the 23rd April, the Wife of A. LIBERTY, of a Son.

DEATH.

On board the s.s. CHONG KEE, on the 25th April, 1888, JAMES CRAIG KIRKPATRICK, Second Engineer, aged 26 years.

On the publication of this issue commenced at 7.55 p.m.

The China Mail.

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THE DECISION of the Australian Colonies to exclude all Chinese emigrants will not surprise anyone who has been watching the progress of events there during the last few months. The feeling against Chinese has become intensified every year, and recently it rose to such a pitch as to force the Government in all the Colonies to consult as to joint action. Till within the last month or so the Northern Territory, a tropical country, was free to the Chinese, who flocked there in considerable numbers. It was discovered, however, that the Chinese easily found their way from the Northern Territory into the other Colonies, thus escaping the £10 poll tax. An agitation arose also in the Northern Territory against the Chinese, who had become more numerous than Europeans and had monopolised the retail trade. An agitator, M. V. L. Solomon, was sent practically to 'stamp' the continent against the Chinese, and as the result of his labours and of the petitions that were sent to the Government of South Australia, the £10 poll tax was extended to the Northern Territory. It might be thought that this measure would have contented the Australians for some time, as their weighty organs recognised that with a £10 poll tax in all the Australian colonies there was little fear of the country being flooded with immigrants. Meantime, however, a despatch had come from the Imperial Government enclosing a memorial by the Chinese ambassador in London protesting against the imposition of a poll-tax. This seems to have acted like a red handkerchief to a bull and to have brought matters to a crisis. A joint reply was, if we remember rightly, cabled to the Home Government insisting on the necessity for stringent restriction. We scarcely think there has been time for a reply to this message. At any rate there has not been time for the due consideration of such a very important matter and for arrangements being made with China in order to have a new treaty drafted, just as America is at present drafting a treaty to secure the same ends. It seems evident that the Colonial Governments, under pressure from the mob, have acted in disregard of all treaties and in such a manner as responsible Government would never dream of doing. Were any other country but China concerned the Imperial Government would be at once asked whether it approved the action of its Colonies or not. If it approved, war might ensue, and if it did not approve, it would be called upon to bring its dependencies to order at once. As the matter stands it is difficult to say what the issue will be. The Home Government interferes as little as possible with the independent colonies and will feel loath to oppose them in a matter in which they feel keenly.

THE CHINA MAIL.

The sale of valuable property in Bonham Strand, Wing Lok Street and Cross Street, connected with the suit Tam-Kwan-Shi v. Yan-Mi-Ho, which was to have taken place this afternoon, has been postponed for a week on account of the inclemency of the weather. The sales connected with the same suit which were to take place to-morrow and Saturday, have likewise been postponed for a week.

Two more of the gang of men who are alleged to have attempted to coerce a tailor into joining a Trade Guild have been arrested. They are Chong Chan, purse-maker, and Siu Akwai, tailor, and they were brought before Mr. Wodehouse in the Police Court to-day, the formal charge against them being that of conspiring together to hinder the complainant, Tsoing Chat, tailor, from carrying on a lawful trade at Bridges Street. On the application of Inspector Perry the case was remanded till to-morrow, when the two men previously arrested will also be tried.

Our Northern contemporary, the N.C. Daily News, has a mania for writing about Hongkong affairs, which it judges strictly according to the standard of Shanghai, where the condition of things is in many respects entirely different. The consequence is that a great deal of irrelevant gets into its columns. Recently it took the trouble to summarise the discussion that took place in the Legislative Council with regard to our fire brigades, and at the conclusion of the summary the writer took upon him to give Hongkong what he thought to be good advice. He says:

"His Excellency thought that if the Government helped the existing Brigades the term 'Volunteer' would scarcely apply to it any longer. The Government could not give aid to the Brigade without having a certain control over it, but the turn 'Volunteer' meant entire independence of official control, which he imagined would rather alter its character. No one acquainted with the working of the Fire Department in these Settlements would have any of the half expressed fears of His Excellency. The Municipal Councils of the English and American and the French Settlements are the administrators for the communities maintain the Brigades, exercise a supervision, more nominal than actual over it, and in return get as off a few services as any which exists in any part of the world. There has always been more *esprit de corps* in the Fire Brigade here than in any other volunteer association, and this has chiefly been owing to the men composing it having been on the whole well and liberally treated and left alone, and if the Government of Hongkong will only adopt the reasonable methods by which the relations between the Municipal Council and the Fire Brigade here have been conducted the same good and agreeable results will be obtained."

We should not have thought it worth our trouble to refer to this, had not our morning contemporary, who also has a mania for writing nonsense about local affairs, recommended the advice of the N.C. Daily News as full of wisdom and worthy of consideration by the public here. The difference between the position of Hongkong and Shanghai is evident to any one who thinks. In Shanghai everything is 'Volunteer' after a fashion, and there are no Government institutions. Our contemporaries do not see that if the Government here maintained the Volunteer fire brigade and treated the men 'liberally' the brigade would cease to be a 'Volunteer' brigade in the meaning of the term here, and the difference between it and the Government brigade would become so slight that they could not work long without coalescing altogether. How totally different the significance of the name 'Volunteer' is in Shanghai from what it is here may be seen from the following sentence of the N.C. Daily News' leader:—

"Our friends have some grievances, which have been brought before the public in our columns, and which will no doubt be removed ere long, indeed we hear that a part of them has already been dealt with by the Council although its employés have not yet carried its action into effect, as was shown by the want of any refreshment for the Brigade at the fire yesterday morning."

The truth is that the word 'Volunteer' in Shanghai is practically a misnomer. The brigade should be termed the 'Municipal' brigade, and then it would be seen that it occupies nearly the same position, not as our Volunteer, but as our Government brigade. To compare the Volunteer Artillery with the Volunteer fire brigade here is absurd. If the Volunteer Artillery here were called on to do the same work as our soldiers and were brought into active service once or twice a week, the comparison might hold good, but then we fear our Volunteers Artillery would soon melt into thin air, because the men could not possibly spare the time for such work. As to whether the Government here should take over the Volunteer Fire Brigade, that is another question. If it does so, the result will inevitably be that the two will amalgamate and become one Government brigade. Two brigades could not exist side by side, one of which was 'maintained' by the Government, in the sense of defraying all its expenses and allowing salary for the men, and the other was likewise maintained by the Government, but in the sense only of defraying its expense. Such an arrangement might hold good were the duties as divergent as that of the Volunteer Artillery and the Royal Artillery, but with co-ordinate functions the thing is impossible.

PRIVATE information was received in Shanghai concerning the death, at Tokio, of H. Ex. Sino Aoki, Japanese Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs. H. Ex. was married to a German lady, a native of Berlin.

The N.C. Daily News, speaking with regard to the Shanghai races, says:—The racing season seems likely to be a veritable lottery, for the weather has been so bad that trials have been almost impossible, and even owners have the vaguest idea of what their ponies can do. Many of the jockeys have never had their shins shod yet, but it is hoped we shall have one or two fine days before Tuesday to dry the course a bit.

Three tugs *Rock* and *Fidelity*, which were sent to the wreck of the San Pablo, returned to Shanghai on Saturday night and Friday respectively. They report that only the fore-part of the San Pablo is now out of water. The masts are gone, the sides have fallen in, and the upper deck is also gone, having been burnt. The U.S.S. Brooklyn returned to Shanghai from the wreck on Saturday afternoon.

The Shanghai Mercury says:—The claim against the *Kwangchi*, for colliding with a rice junk, is likely to be a heavy one, as the junk has gone to pieces and the whole cargo of rice destroyed. The \$20,000 is mentioned. The collision took place at night inside the Black Buoy. A pilot was in charge at the time, it makes us ask the question, How is it that the captains of the C.M. steamers always pilot themselves at Taku, whilst the captains of B. & S. and J. M. & Co.'s steamers take a pilot? Is it because the C. M. S. N. Co. cannot afford this privilege? Or is it because their captains are a superior class of men?

The N.C. Daily News says:—We mentioned some days ago that the prisoner who had leaved Hongkong, a new prisoner in the Choo-hien's jail, had fledged the new prisoner for refusing to pay, and also a man who was supposed to have informed the Choo-hien of these proceedings. The *Hopewell* now says that the Choo-hien or Magistrate, on taking his seat in Court on Monday, first laid the building well guarded by braves and runners, and then sent for the prisoners in jail—there were twenty-three confined there—in batches of four at a time. The first four said that they had nothing to do with the trouble which had occurred, but that the jailor, in charge of the prison, had induced the old prisoner and leader to demand money of the newcomer, and on his refusing had flogged him. Two more batches of four each and one of seven gave themselves up, when the remaining four, among whom was the leader, were sent for. The leader said that he knew his crime had been great and let himself in the hands of the Choo-hien, who might do what he pleased with him, and the other three men had the same. The new prisoner, and on his refusing had flogged him, was dragged into the prison and flogged, and he identified the prisoner who had flogged him, who was not the leader. The Choo-hien therupon ordered the leader to receive 1,000 blows with the rattan and 100 with the bamboo; a second man 1,000 with the bamboo and 2,000 with the rattan; a third 1,000 with the bamboo and the fourth 2,000 with the rattan. These punishments were inflicted in the courtyard, and in addition the foot of the chief was placed on a stone, he received thirty-three blows with an iron hammer on the ankle, and the second, who had flogged the new prisoner and his friend, got fifty blows with the same hammer on the ankle. Both men's ankles were broken and the men fainted under the punishment. The other two were kept kneeling during this time. This took place between five and six o'clock in the afternoon, and it is said the men whose ankles had been broken, were incapable until 9 o'clock. Three of the men, placed in cages, and yesterday morning the leader, who could not walk, was carried before the Magistrate, who is preparing a special cell for his detention. The leader is, we are informed, the same man who was put in a cage in the city to be starved to death a few months ago. The above punishments were, I suppose, in the extreme. It does not matter that the men were probably able to obtain some mitigation of the severity of their punishment by bribing the executioners to lay the blow on lightly, and I think they did not fully intend to do so.

It is the iniquity of the punishment which foreign nations will bear in mind when considering China's claims to be on an equality with them.

SHANGHAI SPING RACE MEETING.

THIRD DAY.

THE LAN DE DAL CUP.—One mile and a half.

Mr Triad's Forerunner.

THE GREAT NORTHERN PLATE.—Seven furlongs.

Mr John's Sustaining.

THE MANCHU STAKES.—One mile and a quarter.

Mr Min's Reaver.

THE CHAU SHANG KILO.—One Mile.

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THE YANZONG STAKES.—Two Miles and a Half.

Mr Saseoon's Forester.

THE CONSOLATION CUP.—Once Round.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CAMBRIDGE LOCALS.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL".

3rd May, 1888.

Sir,—In reply to the inquiry of "Pater-familias," in your last night's issue, I shall be happy to give him any full details which have reached me as to the results of the last Cambridge Local Examination, if he will call on me. As there were nearly double the number of candidates last Christmas than in the preceding year, I could not ask you to print the full tabulated form which you kindly inserted last year. Until further details reach me, it would be impossible, in the case of those boys who failed in History, Geography, or Shakespeare.—Yours, etc.

C. J. BATEMAN.

Hon. Secretary.

ALLEGED MURDER OF A COOLIE.

Sit Atien, a boarding-house keeper, and Kit Akang, one of his sons, were brought before Mr. Surcombe Smith in the Police Court this morning, charged with the murder of a man named Tez Afuk alias Sit Atien on the 26th ult. On the application of Mr. Denys, who appeared for the prisoner, the case was remanded till Monday. The arrest of the prisoners was made on the information of a man who was a fellow-lodger with the deceased in a house in Third Street of which the first prisoner is master. From the statement of the informant the Police considered it advisable to have the body of deceased exhumed for the purpose of being examined. The particulars relating to the affair, so far as they are known as yet, came out at the Coroner's inquest held this afternoon.

THE INQUEST.

An inquest on the body of the deceased was held at the Mortuary this afternoon. Mr. Wodehouse, the Coroner, presided, and the jury were Messrs. H. Mackenzie, S. V. Rodemeyer, and H. G. Dowler. Mr. Denys appeared on behalf of the two men charged with the murder of the deceased.

Tau Fuk, trader, said—I reside in the Li Fat shop. I don't know whether it is a boarding house as I am a new-comer, having arrived on the 26th ult. When I stayed till the 30th, when I went to the Li Fat shop. I knew the deceased Tez Afuk. I don't know what he did. He was a passenger along with me on the 26th ult. from Tau Fuk to Hongkong. He was brought by a man named Li Asing to be an emigrant under whose charge he was on board the ship. That was a little unequivocal act and could not possibly have been taken by the respondents. Having afterwards dealt with the case of Hart v. Mills, Reuter v. Sada and others Mr. Pollock concluded in conclusion that the applicant having rejected the 70 tons of coal as soon as he discovered that inferior quality of coal he had had no right to retain a quantity of the coal supplied under the contract and reject the remainder.

Mr. Francis Q. C., and Mr. Pollock, instructed by Mr. Hastings (of Meares-Wotton and Deacon's Office), appeared for the applicants; and the Attorney General, instructed by Mr. Evans, for the respondents.

Mr. Pollock, in opening the case for the appellants, referred to the cases cited by Mr. Justice Leach in his judgment. The case of *Couston v. Chapman* was, he submitted, distinguishable from the present case inasmuch as though the applicant after receiving 21 tons on board the vessel rejected the remaining 97 tons and gave notice that he would not take the 70 tons at all. After referring to the case of *Reuter v. Sada*, Mr. Pollock went on to say that even assuming the applicant had accepted the 21 tons of coal under the contract, he submitted that the 70 tons were clearly rejected as having refused to take them on board the ship. That was a little unequivocal act and could not possibly have been taken by the respondents. Having afterwards dealt with the case of *Hart v. Mills*, *Reuter v. Sada* and others Mr. Pollock concluded in conclusion that the applicant having rejected the 70 tons of coal as soon as he discovered that inferior quality of coal he had had no right to retain a quantity of the coal supplied under the contract and reject the remainder.

Mr. Francis, on behalf of the respondent, said the 70 tons of coal were absolutely and instantly rejected and that the applicant did nothing to dissentient him to the remainder. He was not bound to do anything with it; they were simply bound to come to an agreement as to the rejection of the coal, and if on that the vendor had said that the applicant must take either the whole or none there might have been something in the arguments for the respondents, but that was not done. In point of fact the coals retained had nothing to do with the contract which was to supply coal of a certain kind and quality different from that in question.

Their Lordships said the point was an important one they would take time to consider it.

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Capital account, 3,800 Shares, \$300,000.00

Local and General Liabilities, 60,589.50

Bills Payable, ... 38,933.47

Unclaimed Dividends, ... 403.64

Permanent Reserve Fund, 5,000.00

Profit and Loss, ... 8,273.00

Profit and Loss, 62,081.36

64,811.47

\$555,797.74

ASSETS.

Stock in Trade, ... 3228,184.29

Building Improvements, 4,608.17

Goodwill and Trade Marks, 100,000.00

Bills of Parcels—Amounts due from Customers, ... 60,256.41

Suspense account, ... 1,845.48

Less Balances, ... 15,927.18

Bank Balances, ... 17,772.66

Investments in Public Companies, ...

North China Insurance, 2,637.24

Hongkong Fire Insurance, ...

Fire Insurance (Balance of Premiums), ...

Leaseholds (Business Premises), ... 300.00

Sundry Debtors, ... 7,341.45

Branch Adjustment account, ... 8,465.68

Ad interim dividend of 6% per cent. payable in Nov., 1887, ... 24,700.00

Profit and Loss, ... \$555,797.74

PROFIT AND LOSS.

Dr.

To Depreciation account, ... 8,160.43

To General Manager, ... 3,600.00

To Balance, ... 64,811.47

8,70,271.99

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By Balance forward, ... 8,273.00

By Net Earnings in Hongkong, ... 67,541.81

8,70,271.99

JNO. D. HUMPHREYS,

General Manager.

I have compared the Books and Vouchers at the Head Office, and Returns from the different Branches with the above statement, and found it correct.

A. W. MATILANE, Auditor.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1888.

SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.
(Before Hon. J. Russell, Acting Chief Justice, and Mr. J. Leach, Acting Puisne Judge.)

Thursday, May 2.

KU HUNG TAK v. YEUNG CHEUK HIU AND OTHERS.

This is an appeal against a judgment delivered by Mr. Justice Leach on the 27th March last in a coal contract case where the plaintiffs, (the respondents in this instance) partly as goods sold and delivered according to contract, viz. 21 tons of Australian coal at \$7.50 per ton, and partly for the breach of the coal contract in not accepting the remaining portion of the Australian coal, viz. 26 tons at \$7.50 per ton and 50 tons of Takashima coal at \$8 per ton. The defence in the former suit was that after receiving 21 tons of what was sent as best Australian coal the defendant discovered that the quality was not according to the description agreed upon, and therefore rejected the remaining portion of the Australian coal, viz. 26 tons at \$7.50 per ton and 50 tons of Takashima coal at \$8 per ton. The defence claimed that the defendant had not given notice to the court of the damage sustained by the plaintiff, and that he had not taken the 79 tons at all. After referring to the case of *Reuter v. Sada*, Mr. Pollock went on to say that even assuming the appellant had accepted the 21 tons of coal under the contract, he submitted that the 79 tons were clearly rejected as having refused to take them on board the ship. That was the main point of the *Kuangchi* case.

At the time of the collision the *Kuangchi* was bound down with a cable, and when she turned round, it was seen that the schooner had left and on making enquiries learned that the vessel had been sighted only an hour earlier steering S. W. There were then on board with Forbes, two Japanese, both of whom had been shipped at

Mails.

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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